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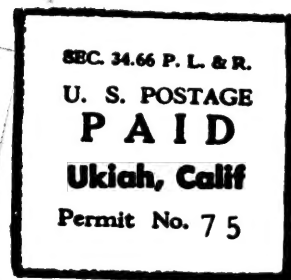
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MIXTURES

Ruffled - Per doz.:	Lrg. \$1.25	Med. \$.90
Smokies - Per doz.:	Lrg. \$1.25	Med. \$.90
Blotched- Per doz.:	Lrg. \$1.25	Med. \$.90
General Mixture: 30 or more varieties per 50	Lrg \$3.50	Med. \$2.50
General Mixture: 40 or more varieties per 100	Lrg \$6.50	Med. \$4.50

BIG SPECIAL: 500 bulbs of at least 50 varieties - all 1" dia. or larger shipped express F.O.B. Ukiah - 500 bulbs \$16.00 - 1000 bulbs \$29.00.

MIXED SEEDLINGS: Lrg. only - per doz. \$1.50 - 50 for \$4.95 - 100 for \$8.95.
These are all different from named varieties

ALL PRICES ARE POSTAGE PRE-PAID EXCEPT THE BIG SPECIAL.

MINIATURE GLADIOLUS #3.

Lrg. 2 - 35¢ Med. 2 - 25¢

Atom - A firey scarlet with gold edges.

Brown Orchids - smokey chocolate brown with yellow mid ribs and a deep brown throat.

Bo Peep - Ruffled dainty salmon pink with a cream throat.

Crinklette - Very ruffled orange pink.

Fairy - A delicate lavender.

Fifth Ave. - Tall velvety red.

Flicker - Orange - yellow throat and scarlet blotch.

Hocus Pocus - Very early - reddish yellow with red throat.

Gremlin - Rosy red - stippled throat banded yellow.

Little Gold - Beautiful rich deep yellow.

Nadia - Salmon with large yellow lip.

Peter Pan - Deep orange pink with deeper throat - ruffled.

Statuette - Ruffled light yellow with heavy red stippling in the throat.

Starlet - Beautiful glistening ruffled white.

- MIXED MINIATURES -

Large	Medium
25 for \$3.50	25 for \$2.50
50 for \$6.50	50 for \$4.50
100 for \$11.50	100 for \$8.50
250 for \$25.00	250 for \$17.50



After getting the price list all written up, it seemed like a cold turkey to me.

The glads at the Los Angeles County Fair this year were the worst ones that I ever exhibited due to the extreme heat just before Fair time.

The family is doing fine. The twins are now walking everywhere - into everything. Unless you have had twins you will never know.

Jerald became an Eagle scout last week, so we are proud of him. Bonnie is doing well with her piano. The twins mother is holding up better than could be expected. I don't see how she does everything and being relief society president at Church too. Yours truly should be two people most of the time.

As ever,
W. I. MASON

- Leah Gorham - A beautiful bright scarlet with a big white blotch - better than Carnival - Tall.
 Lrg. 25¢ 10 for \$1.95
 Med. 2 - 35¢ 10 for \$1.45
- Merry Widow - A striking Fuschia with a large white blotch - it's very popular.
 Lrg. 2 - 35¢ 10 for \$1.45
 Med. 2 - 25¢ 10 for \$.95
- Mother Fischer - A very beautiful ruffled white. A wonderful cut flower. Has a lavender tint rather than cream.
 Lrg. 25¢ 10 for \$1.95
 Med. 2 - 35¢ 10 for \$1.45
- Oriental Splendor - Here is a new one from Holland that was the most popular glad at the Los Angeles County Fair this year. A tall rich oriental rusty brown covered with very fine netting of oyster shell lines.
 Lrg. \$1.00 Med. 75¢
- Painted Lady - A unique combination - a medium pink with a creamy white lip petals which are outlined a deep pink scarlet.
 Lrg. 50¢ Med. 35¢
- Palette - A very unusual color - a bright ruffled beautifully shaped scarlet with a large purple throat blotch - it certainly is different
 Lrg. 2 - 35¢ 10 for \$1.45
 Med. 2 - 25¢ 10 for \$.95
- Persian Rug - A very popular smokey plum shading to rose with a sharp light yellow throat - very bright and attractive.
 Lrg. 35¢ 10 for \$2.95
 Med. 25¢ 10 for \$1.95
- Poinsettia - A nicely ruffled vigorous growing scarlet red with a deeper throat - one of the best glads.
 Lrg. 25¢ 10 for \$1.95
 Med. 2 - 35¢ 10 for \$1.45
- Purple Burma - A very ruffled purple sport of Burma - very fine.
 Lrg. 45¢ Med. 30¢
- Rosita - A wonderful improvement over Chamouny. A beautiful silvery medium rose - tall - a good cut flower.
 Lrg. 60¢ Med. 45¢
- Regina - A striking light orange buff with some shadings of peach and apricot and a bright scarlet pink throat blotch - open up to 7 huge florets at once - very rich.
 Lrg. 60¢ Med. 45¢
- Ruffled Ebony - A very ruffled - a very beautiful, very early - almost black red - one of the 10 most beautiful glads that everyone loves.
 Lrg. 60¢ Med. 45¢
- Sheherezade - Large creamy pink with a rose red throat - unusual.
 Lrg. 2 - 35¢ 10 for \$1.45
 Med. 2 - 25¢ 10 for \$.95
- Shot - Tall white with a large red throat. Attracts a lot of attention wherever shown.
 Lrg. 50¢ Med. 35¢
- South Seas - Orange gray and slate with an orange yellow throat - a wonderful corsage glad.
 Lrg. 2 - 35¢ Med. 2 - 25¢
- Sparkling Eyes - Tall ruffled pure white with a very beautiful sparkling purple throat blotch.
 Lrg. 50¢ Med. 35¢
- Stormy Weather - A light rosy smokey that others like better than T. ruffled florets - tall and easy to grow.
 Lrg. 2 - 35¢ Med. 2 - 25¢
- Surfsong - A tall vigorous light blue with a pansy blue blotch. Makes lots of bulblets too.
 Lrg. 35¢ 10 for \$2.95
 Med. 25¢ 10 for \$1.95
- Vanisle - An outstanding smokey of mulberry rose - has huge florets - A wonderful show glad.
 Lrg. \$1.50 Med. \$1.00

Bridal Orchid - Huge pastel lavender. Tall and stately
 Lrg. 2 - 35¢ 10 for \$1.45
 Med. 2 - 25¢ 10 for \$.95

Baldface - Tall deep salmon scarlet with a deep red feather on a white blotch.
 Lrg. 2 - 35¢ 10 for \$1.45
 Med. 2 - 25¢ 10 for \$.95

C. D. Fortnam - One of the most beautiful of all glads - pale orchid pink with creamy lipped petals, very ruffled.
 Lrg. 25¢ 10 for \$1.95
 Med. 2 - 35¢ 10 for \$1.45

Copper Lustre - A rich ruffled copper toned rose with a dark tan throat very beautiful.
 Lrg. 60¢ Med. 45¢

Columbia - A clear creamy white with a beautiful rose border - you will like this one.
 Lrg. 25¢ 10 for \$1.95
 Med. 2 - 35¢ 10 for \$1.45

Cream Orchids - A frilled waxey cream glad - wonderful for corsages.
 Lrg. 25¢ 10 for \$1.95
 Med. 2 - 35¢ 10 for \$1.45

Crusader - An attractive white with a striking purple throat - its different.
 Lrg. 50¢ Med. 35¢

Crimson Glow - A soft frosty crimson - very ruffled and needlepoint. It blends to a soft blue gray around the edges of the petals.
 Lrg. \$1.00 Med. 75¢

Crown Jewel - A beautiful sparkling rose pink with a ruby red throat blotch - It's a standout.
 Lrg. 25¢ 10 for \$1.95
 Med. 2 - 35¢ 10 for \$1.45

Edgewood - Tall Beautiful medium rose with a rose lavender throat - opens 8 large ruffled florets at once.
 Lrg. 60¢ Med. 40¢

Elmers Rose - At last the price is down on this wonderful ruffled deep rose show glad. One of the most beautiful glads, has a ruby throat.
 Lrg. 2 - 35¢ 10 for \$1.45
 Med. 2 - 25¢ 10 for \$.95

Ginger - Deep orange shading to a gold throat and a flame orange blotch-ruffled - very rich.
 Lrg. 35¢ 10 for \$2.95
 Med. 25¢ 10 for \$1.95

Gold - The best yellow for home gardeners - ruffled deep unsurpassed yellow - a very healthy and easy to grow glad.
 Lrg. 25¢ 10 for \$1.95
 Med. 2 - 35¢ 10 for \$1.45

Grey Summit - A tall true grey with a lighter throat and a rosy tint - reminds one of rosy clouds at sunset.
 Lrg. 2 - 35¢ 10 for \$1.45
 Med. 2 - 25¢ 10 for \$.95

Gwen - A tall fragrant light rose that everyone likes - a very good cut flower.
 Lrg. 25¢ 10 for \$1.95
 Med. 2 - 35¢ 10 for \$1.45

Harry Hopkins - A deep wine red that is much better than Boulogne - very vigorous.
 Lrg. 2 - 35¢ 10 for \$1.45
 Med. 2 - 25¢ 10 for \$.95

Karen - Deep bright rose purple with a sharp outstanding cream blotch
 Lrg. 60¢ Med. 45¢

King David - The best deep purple by a long ways. A ruffled deep purple with a silver lining around each petal. Tall and straight and vigorous.
 Lrg. 25¢ 10 for \$1.95
 Med. 2 - 35¢ 10 for \$1.45

King Size - A big cow of a glad - a plain petaled pink - nothing outstanding except that it is about the biggest glad in existence. I don't like it and the price is too high.
 Lrg. \$1.00 Med. 75¢

GENERAL GLADIOLUS LIST #1.

This is list #1 of three. All varieties here are Large - 2 for .25¢
Medium - 3 for .25¢, Large - 10 for .95¢, Medium - 10 for .65¢.

Some of the worlds most beautiful varieties are on this list. This is the cream of the crop of the lower priced glads.

Abu Hassan - Deep Violet-Blue - very popular.

Artist - Vigorous rosy lavender plum.

Ataturk - Black.

Aureole - Very ruffled light yellow - nice.

Betty Duncan - Tall orange - cream throat.

Bolero - Copper toned bronze - small lacinated florets-wonderful corsage glad.

Boulogne - Wine Red.

Burma - One of the most beautiful, most ruffled glads. Deep rose, large florets.

Cardinal Spellman - Tall vigorous rose red.

Chamoury - Popular bright rose.

Cherbourg - Large lovely cerise rose.

Dieppe - Very good ruffled bright scarlet.

Elizabeth the Queen - One of the most beautiful - ruffled orchid lavender.

Friendship - ruffled dependable medium pink.

Florence Nightengale - ruffled white - tall and vigorous.

Green Light - ruffled Chartreuse.

Hi Finance - Tall smokey orange.

Mighty Monarch - Huge tall vigorous ruffled deep red.

Mrs. R. G. Erry - Huge ruffled black red.

Noweta Rose - Tall, vigorous ruffled medium rose. Bulbs were \$1.50 ea 5 yrs ago.

Oklahoma - Popular ruffled pinkish gray.

Orange Gold - Tall healthy bright orange

Pactolus - Very showey bright apricot-yellow with a very large red throat.

Phantom Beauty - Tall light pink that opens 12 florets at once.

Ravel - Tall violet-blue.

Robinson Crusoe - Stuped brownish chocolate smokey.

Spic and Span - Greatest blue ribbon winner of all time. Straight, ruffled salmon.

Spotlight - Yellow with red throat.

Strawberry Peach - Ruffled - very good.

Sunspot - Vigorous apricot buff.

Uhu - Unusual smokey brown and cream.

Vagabond Prince - One of the most popular - smokey brown with a red throat.

Voodoo - Smokey bronze covered with pencil lines.

White Goddess - Beautiful tall ruffled white.

White Gold - Most vigorous of all glads - tall, cream with huge florets.

GENERAL GLADIOLUS LIST #2.

Miniatures are listed separately at the end of this listing.

These varieties are more expensive and most of them are recent introductions.

NEW - ALL AMERICAN SELECTIONS 1956. They are Appleblossom and Royal Stewart. These have been selected as the most outstanding new varieties out of thousands of seedlings. Prices for either are \$1.00 per bulb. Both are patented.

Appleblossom - Snowey white with a faint touch of cream in the throat and an exquisite flush of cool rose pink at the edge of the petals - opens 10 - 5" florets at once.

Royal Stewart - A ruffled clear light red of excelent substance - florets are 5" dia. and opens 12 at once on a 20 bud spike.

Ace of Spades - Tall black red with a glistening sheen.

Lrg. .25¢ 10 for \$1.95

Med. 2 - 35¢ 10 for \$1.45

Boise Belle - A very ruffled pink and yellow glad - a great show flower and very lovely.

Lrg. 2 - 35¢ 10 for \$1.45

Med. 2 - 25¢ 10 for \$.95

Golden West Gladiolus

W. I. Mason

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UKIAH, CALIFORNIA



Due to an accident last spring at planting time, I only planted half as many bulbs as usual. For that reason, I am only issuing this price list instead of a regular catalog.

The bulb quality this year is better than usual, but I doubt if I will have enough to go around. I am not putting out a wholesale list. However, if you would like a quantity of any certain variety, please write and I may have enough to quote you a wholesale price. Order early so that you can get what you want.

HINTS ON GLADIOLUS GROWING

PRE-PLANTING TREATMENT

All bulbs should be dipped before planting as a precaution against fungus diseases. I have found Natraphene to give the best results as a dip. Dissolve one tablet in 2½ gallons of water and soak your bulbs for approximately 10 days. On a long soaking the bulb absorbs the solution and any diseases are killed from the inside out. If you have a few bulbs of many varieties, you can cut cardboard milk cartons in half and soak your different varieties in different cartons.

Send 15c for one Natraphene tablet, 2 for 25c, or 10 for \$1.00.

You can use 1½ tablespoonfuls of Lysol per gallon of water and soak your bulbs for 3 hours and be sure to plant immediately afterwards. I have found the Lysol treatment to be inferior to Natraphene.

PLANTING

Glads prefer full sun but will do well if they can get 4 hours or more sunshine a day. Plant your bulbs in rows, spacing them approximately 4 inches apart and approximately 4 inches deep. Larger bulbs deeper and smaller bulbs a little shallower. If planting them in beds make them approximately 8 inches apart in all directions. They are easier to cultivate if planted in rows. As they grow hill up to them so that they will be less apt to fall over when blooming.

WATERING AND CULTIVATING

Water a lot. Glads like lots of water and good drainage. For sandy soil, water every three days (every day if it gets over 100 degrees hot)—real heavy soil every 10 days. Give a good soaking each time.

CUTTING BLOOMS

When cutting your glads be sure to leave at least 4 leaves on the plant. Without the leaves a new bulb cannot be developed. You can pick your glads any time after the first floret is ready to open.

DIGGING

You do not have to wait until the leaves get dry to dig. You can dig six weeks after they finish blooming.

STORING BULBS

After your bulbs are dug let them dry for two to four weeks depending on the temperature. Do not dry in the sun if the temperature goes over 85 degrees. In about three weeks clean off the roots and the old bulb. Separate the bulblets. Dust with 5% DDT and store them where they will keep dry—the drier the better. Do not put them over 2½ inches deep in boxes though.

FERTILIZER

Be sure to keep fertilizer away from the bulbs. A LITTLE well rotted manure worked into the soil at least 6 months before planting your bulbs is o.k. You can use a little bone meal under the bulbs, providing you put at least 1½ inches of dirt over the bone meal before you plant. Keep fertilizer away from your bulbs, though, and use it very sparingly. I don't use any on my glads. A light side dressing may be beneficial if applied to the center of the row and away from the bulbs. Side dress, if you insist on doing this, when your glads get their fifth leaf. I don't, though. As glads like acid soil a handful of peat moss around each bulb should be beneficial, especially if you live in California or where your soil or water is inclined to be alkaline. For the third time—keep fertilizer away from the bulbs.

Not blooming properly.

Thrips—In warm weather dust or spray with 5% DDT, Chlordane or Lindane every 10 days. Thrips are very small and hard to see. Buds look sunburned and leaves get silvery streaks in them.

AT LAST..... A COMPLETE FERTILIZER is on the market!

One that not only has Nitrogen, Phosphorus and Potash....it also has Calcium, Magnesium, Sulphur, Iron, Manganese, Copper, Zink, Boron, and Molybdenum. All of these in the correct proportion for plants' needs. This fertilizer is CALUNITE. It not only is a complete fertilizer, but it conditions soil as well -- flowers have better color, fruit has better color as well as better flavor -- vegetables have better flavor, will keep better and are mineral rich when fertilized with CALUNITE. CALUNITE actually makes your soil rich. It is a natural mineral and will not leach out of the soil -- the plants have to use it out.

You use less CALUNITE for better results -- use only 2 lbs. per 100 sq. ft. Shipped freight prepaid, as far south as San Jose, and north to Eureka, including Sacramento Valley.

One 80-lb. sack CALUNITE	\$5.95
Two 80-lb. sacks "	\$10.95

Shipped freight prepaid to rest of California, Nevada and Oregon:

One 80-lb. sack CALUNITE	\$6.49
Two 80-lb. sacks "	\$11.95

Wonderful for lawns -- only fertilize once a year.